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8. (Amended) A supplement comprising

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- (a) ferulic acid or an ester thereof, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and
- (b) caffeic acid, chlorogenic acid, caffeic acid and chlorogenic acid, or pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

11. (Amended) A process for preventing or treating hypertension or high blood pressure comprising: administering an effective dose of a composition comprising (a) ferulic acid or an ester thereof, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and (b) a component selected from caffeic acid, chlorogenic acid, caffeic acid and chlorogenic acid, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts hereof, to a subject in need thereof.

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M. (Amended) A method for reducing a rise in blood pressure comprising administering an effective dosage of a composition comprising: (a) ferulic acid or an ester thereof, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and (b) a component selected from caffeic acid, chlorogenic acid, caffeic acid and chlorogenic acid, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof, to a subject in need thereof.

## **BASIS FOR THE AMENDMENT**

Claims 1, 6, 8, 11, and 14 have been amended.

The amendment of Claims 1, 6, 8, 11, and 14 is supported by the corresponding original claims.

No new matter is believed to have been added by these amendments.